

**TOWN OF GRANBY  
CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES  
August 12, 2014**

**PRESENT:** Chairman Anna Sogliuzzo; Bill Sleavin; Susan Dwyer; Eric Myers; Vickie Dirienzo; and Lana Torres (arrived at 7:09 p.m.)

**ABSENT:** Carolyn Flint

**ALSO PRESENT:** Cole Goodrow, Granby Memorial High School Student

Chairman Anna Sogliuzzo confirmed a quorum and called the special meeting of the Conservation Commission to order at 7:05 p.m.

**MINUTES:** The minutes from the July 8, 2014 special meeting were reviewed by the Commission.

ON A MOTION by V. Dirienzo, seconded by B. Sleavin, the minutes from the July 8, 2014 special meeting were unanimously approved (5-0-0). L. Torres arrived after the approval of the minutes.

**CLEAN ENERGY GRANT**

Chairman A. Sogliuzzo noted that grant money from CEFIA (Clean Energy Finance and Investment Authority) will be used to pay for Conservation Commission space rental and brochures for Celebrate Granby. It will also pay for a monitor at the Recreation Community Center at Salmon Brook Park that will display energy usage in that building. Further discussion will be held about how to spend the remaining funds of the grant.

**CELEBRATE GRANBY**

Celebrate Granby is being held on October 4, 2014 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Commissioners will volunteer to man the Conservation Commission booth. L. Torres will make sure the sign is there. V. Dirienzo will make a display of information that is on the Conservation Commission brochure and brochures will be made available. B. Sleavin will provide a display of GPS Trail Maps and printed copies will be made available.

**WILDLIFE SURVEY**

S. Dwyer is making arrangements to have a speaker come to a Conservation Commission meeting in September to inform Commissioners about both biodiversity and wildlife studies.

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**PRINT CARTRIDGE RECYCLING**

No business at this time.

**HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

No business at this time.

**GEOTHERMAL ENERGY**

V. Dirienzo has found that a great deal of information is available about geothermal energy. She will try to arrange for a speaker on the subject to make a presentation at a future meeting.

**GIS ENVIRONMENT ASSESSMENT TOOL**

B. Sleavin demonstrated a GIS based preliminary environment assessment tool for the Commissioners.

**OLD BUSINESS**

B. Sleavin reported that the Excavation Subcommittee (Planning & Zoning) has drafted a proposed amendment to regulate the excavation of land.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Chairman A. Sogliuzzo has spoken with Town Manager, William Smith about Cole Goodrow being officially appointed as a student liaison to the Commission. Mr. Smith will present the subject to the Board of Selectmen.

The Commission discussed the current schedule of meeting twice a month and decided to make a change.

ON A MOTION by L. Torres, seconded by E. Myers, the Commission voted unanimously (6-0-0) to meet only once a month, on the second Tuesday of each month beginning in the month of October, 2014.

**ADJOURN**

ON A MOTION by B. Sleavin, seconded by L. Torres, the Commission voted unanimously (6-0-0) to adjourn at 7:51 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jini Ruscitti  
Recording Secretary